(c) whether any foreign Airlines have expressed their willingness to transport the repatriates to India free of cost;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether Government propose to consider the repatriation by making use of this facility?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) Yes, Sir. Air India is offering special fares which are approximately 15% lower than the market fare to passengers who are returning under the General Amnesty Scheme. The General Amnesty period is from 01 January, 2003 to 31 March, 2003. The special fare is valid from Dubai, Abu Dhabi and Al-Ain. Similarly Indian Airlines is offering special amnesty fares which are 20% lower than the market fares.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Committee on dispute between AI and IA

2019. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a dispute between Air India and Indian Airlines over international operations under bilateral air services agreements;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any Committee has been set up to resolve the dispute;

(d) if so, the contours of the Committee; and

(e) by when, the Committee propose to submit their findings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) to (e) A three-member Committee has been constituted to examine the issue of route rationalisation between Air India and Indian Airlines for their common international operations taking in to account their views and keeping in view the short term/long term interests of the two airlines etc. The Committee is presently at the initial stage of its functioning.